



ILLINOIS REPORT CARD

FACILITY: Howe Developmental Center,
 Operated by the State of Illinois

GRADE	SUBJECT
F	Quality of Service
	<p>Howe has been cited repeatedly for very bad care including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Leaving individuals in urine soaked clothing ◆ Using restraints when it is dangerous to do so ◆ Failing to initiate CPR ◆ Failing to adequately respond to pain ◆ Failing to provide enough food and drink ◆ Failing to monitor vital signs ◆ Falsifying physician documentation <p>Investigations of 20 deaths at Howe document many instances of terrible care.</p>
F	Ensuring Civil Rights
	Howe is being investigated by the United States Department of Justice for violations of the Constitutional rights of residents to be safe and free from harm, free from unlawful restraints and given adequate care and treatment.
F	Maximizing Federal Dollars
	In March 2007 the federal government revoked Howe's certification to receive federal Medicaid funding.
F	Effective Use of Illinois Taxpayers' Dollars
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The federal government pulled \$30.5 million yearly from Howe, due to its failure to meet minimum standards of care. ◆ For more than a year, Illinois has paid the entire \$61 million yearly bill to keep Howe open because the state has been unable to bring Howe up to minimum Medicaid standards!
<p>Comments: People with disabilities deserve quality services and a fulfilling life in the community. It is time to stop wasting lives and money. Close Howe Now!</p>	



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STATE: Illinois

GRADE	SUBJECT
F	Spending for Community Based Services*
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Illinois ranks 47th in federal Medicaid spending for in-home and community-based services. ◆ Illinois spends only \$32 per capita (spending divided by state's population) on home and community-based services - less than half the U.S. average of \$66 per capita. ◆ Rhode Island ranked first, spending \$211 ◆ New York ranked second, spending \$188.
F	Support for Integrated Community Settings*
	<p>Illinois ranks LAST nationwide for individuals with developmental disabilities living in settings with 6 or fewer people. Only 30% of Illinois' residential programs are for 6 or fewer people-the U.S. average is 70%.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Minnesota's system - 90% ◆ Michigan's system - 82% ◆ Wisconsin's system - 74%
F	Availability of Services*
	Illinois government data shows that over 13,000 people with developmental disabilities are waiting for services.
Comments: Illinois is last in the class and needs immediate improvement in all areas!	

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